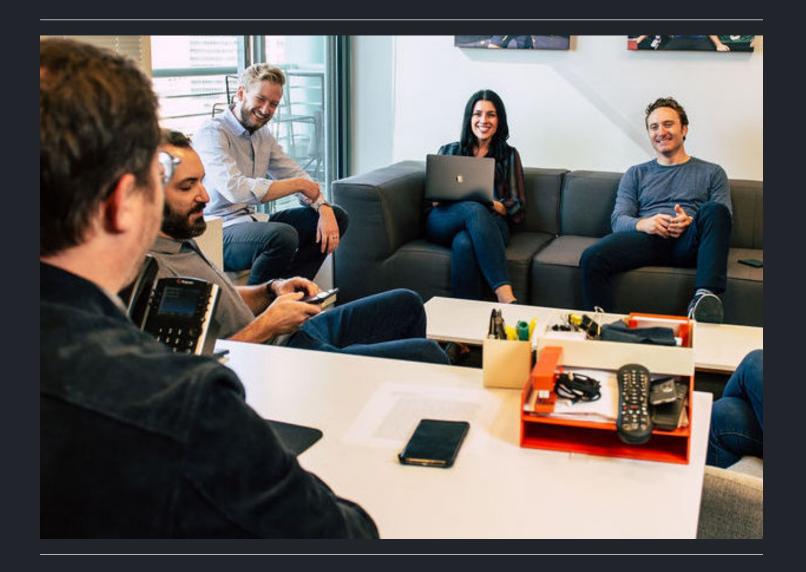
# EXHIBIT A

# Edelson

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### Inside the Firm

We are a nationally recognized leader in high-stakes plaintiffs' work, ranging from class and mass actions, to public client investigations and prosecutions.

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"National reputation as a maverick in [its] commitment to pursuing big-ticket . . . cases."

-Law360

#### Who We Are

EDELSON PC is a law firm concentrating on high stakes plaintiff's work ranging from class and mass actions to public client investigations and prosecutions. The cases we have litigated—as either lead counsel or as part of a broader leadership structure—have resulted in settlements and verdicts totaling over \$45 billion.

- We hold records for the largest jury verdict in a privacy case (\$925m), the largest single-state consumer privacy settlement (\$650m), and the largest TCPA settlement (\$76m). We also secured one of the most important consumer privacy decisions in the U.S. Supreme Court (Robins v. Spokeo). Our class actions, brought against the national banks in the wake of the housing collapse, restored over \$5 billion in home equity credit lines. We served as counsel to a member of the 11-person Tort Claimant's Committee in the PG&E Bankruptcy, resulting in a historic \$13.5 billion settlement. We are the only firm to have established that online apps can constitute illegal gambling under state law, resulting in settlements that are collectively worth \$651 million. We are co-lead counsel in the NCAA personal injury concussion cases, leading an MDL involving over 300 class action lawsuits. And we are representing, or have represented, regulators in cases involving the deceptive marketing of opioids, environmental cases, privacy cases against Facebook, Uber, Google and others, cases related to the marketing of e-cigarettes to children, and cases asserting claims that energy companies and for-profit hospitals abused the public trust.
- We have testified before the United States Senate and state legislative and regulatory bodies on class action and consumer protection issues, cybersecurity and privacy (including election security, children's privacy and surreptitious geotracking), sex abuse in children's sports, and gambling, and have repeatedly been asked to work on federal, state, and municipal legislation involving a broad range of issues. We speak regularly at seminars on consumer protection and class action issues, and routinely lecture at law schools and other graduate programs.
- We have a "one-of-a-kind" investigation team that sets us apart from others in the plaintiff's bar. Our dedicated "internal lab of computer forensic engineers and tech-savvy lawyers" investigate issues related to "fraudulent software and hardware, undisclosed tracking of online consumer activity and illegal data retention," among numerous other technology related issues facing consumers. Cybersecurity & Privacy Practice Group of the Year, Law360 (January 2019).

Instead of chasing the headlines, our case development team is leading the country in both identifying emerging privacy and technology issues, as well as crafting novel legal theories to match. Some examples of their groundbreaking accomplishments include: demonstrating that Microsoft and Apple were continuing to collect certain geolocation data even after consumers turned "location services" to "off"; filing multiple suits revealing mobile apps that "listen" through phone microphones without consent; filing a lawsuit stemming from personal data collection practices of an intimate IoT device; and filing suit against a data analytics company alleging that it had surreptitiously installed tracking software on consumer computers.

> As the Hollywood Reporter explained, we are "accustomed to big cases that have lasting legacy."

#### In the News

The firm and our attorneys regularly get recognized for our groundbreaking work. We have been named by Law360 as a Consumer Protection Group of the Year (2016, 2017, 2019, 2020), a Class Action Group of the Year (2019), a Plaintiff's Class Action Powerhouse (2017, 2018, 2019), a Cybersecurity and Privacy Group of the Year (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022, 2023), a "Privacy Litigation Heavyweight," a "Cybersecurity Trailblazer" by The National Law Journal (2016) and won sole recognition in 2019 as "Elite Trial Lawyers" in Gaming Law. The National Law Journal also recognized us as "Elite Trial Lawyers" in Consumer Protection (2020, 2021), Class Action (2021), Privacy/Data Breach (2020), Mass Torts (2020), and Sports, Entertainment and Media Law (2020). In 2019, we were recognized for the third consecutive year as an "Illinois Powerhouse," alongside Barack Ferrazzano, Winston & Strawn, Schiff Hardin and Mayer Brown; in each year, we were the only plaintiff's firm, and the only firm with fewer than one hundred lawyers, recognized. Edelson was a two time finalist (2021 and 2022) and one-time winner of the Diversity Initiative Award (2021) by The National Law Journal, given to the plaintiffs firm demonstrating a concerted and successful effort to promote diversity within its organization and the profession at large.

- Our founder has been repeatedly recognized as a "Titan of the Plaintiff's Bar" by Law360, one of "America's Top 200 Lawyers" by Forbes in 2024, one of "America's top trial lawyers" in the mass action arena, a LawDragon 2020 and 2023 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyer, a top "Class Action and Mass Tort Plaintiff's" Lawyer in Illinois by Leading Lawyers, one of "Chicago's Top Ten Startup Founders Over Age 45" by Tech.Co (the only law firm founder to win such an award) and as one of Fast Company's "Most Creative People in Business"—the first plaintiffs' attorney to ever recieve the award.
- ▶ We have also been recognized by courts for our approach to litigation, which led the then-Chief Judge of the United States Court for the Northern District of Illinois to praise our work as "consistent with the highest standards of the profession" and "a model of what the profession should be. . . ." In re Kentucky Grilled Chicken Coupon Mktg. & Sales Practs. Litig., No. 09-cv-07670, MDL 2103 (N.D. III. Apr. 04, 2012). Likewise, in appointing our firm interim co-lead in one of the most high-profile banking cases in the country, a federal court pointed to our ability to be "vigorous advocates, constructive problem-solvers, and civil with their adversaries." In Re JPMorgan Chase Home Equity Line of Credit Litig., No. 10-cv-3647 (N.D. III. July 16, 2010).



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#### Natasha Fernández-Silber

Partner

Specializes in generic drug suppression cases involving "pay-for-delay" deals & other anticompetitive schemes.

Natasha's practice focuses on antitrust class actions and other forms of complex litigation.

- Prior to joining Edelson, Natasha was a partner at a boutique antitrust class action firm where she specialized in generic drug suppression cases involving "pay-for-delay" deals and other anticompetitive schemes. She has also represented purchasers of e-cigarettes, textbooks, pesticides, and other consumer products
- Representative cases decisions include: *Reece v. Altria Group*, No. 20-02345 (N.D. Cal.) Steering Committee member representing direct purchasers of Juul products in suit alleging anticompetitive agreement between Juul and Altria; *In re Inclusive Access Course Materials Antitrust Litig.*, No. 20-02946 (S.D.N.Y.) Appointed Co-Lead Interim Counsel on behalf of college students alleging textbook publishers and retailers conspired to restrict sales of course materials to specific online format to foreclose competition and raise prices; *In re Actos Antitrust Litig.*, No. 15-03278 (S.D.N.Y) Counsel for direct purchasers in suit alleging Takeda delayed generic competition for diabetes drug by misrepresenting scope of patents listed in Orange Book; *In re Ranbaxy Generic Drug Application Antitrust Litig.*, No. 19-02878 (D. Mass.) Counsel for direct purchasers in suit alleging Ranbaxy fraudulently obtained tentative ANDA approvals (and first-to-file exclusivities), delaying generic competition in three drug markets; *In re Intuniv Antitrust Litig.*, No. 16-12653 (D. Mass.) Counsel for direct purchasers in suit alleging reverse payment scheme to monopolize market for ADHD drug.
- ▶ Natasha clerked for the Honorable Ann Claire Williams on the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Natasha received her J.D. from the New York University School of Law.
- Natasha is admitted in New York, Michigan, Southern District of New York, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals.



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#### Yaman Salahi

#### Partner

Secured \$465m in pandemic assistance for incarcerated people & recovered over \$100m for workers challenging no-poach agreements.

Yaman spearheads the firm's antitrust practice, and has experience litigating consumer protection, civil rights, privacy, and administrative law claims, including in complex class action proceedings and multi- district litigation.

- Yaman devised the legal strategy, researched the legal theories, and briefed all merits motions challenging the Trump administration's denial of COVID-19 stimulus relief under the CARES Act to people in prison. Yaman was the lead author of the winning motion for class certification, preliminary injunction, and summary judgment, which ultimately resulted in over \$465 million in cash assistance to over 385,000 people living in prison, and prevented the IRS from recouping over \$1 billion already issued. Yaman also authored a successful opposition to the IRS's attempt in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals to stay the district court's rulings pending appeal. Scholl v. Mnuchin, No. 20-cv-5309-PJH (N.D. Cal.).
- In antitrust no-poach litigation, Yaman helped obtain a \$54.5 million settlement for medical professors and \$19 million for other faculty at Duke University and University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, and \$48.95 million for railway industry workers.
- Yaman briefed, argued, and won an appeal in the Eleventh Circuit establishing that franchisors and their franchisees constitute separate entities capable of conspiracy under the antitrust laws, a question of first impression. Arrington v. Burger King Worldwide, Inc., et al., 47 F. 4th 1247 (11th Cir. 2022).
- ▶ Before joining Edelson PC, Yaman was a Partner at another prominent plaintiff-side class action firm in San Francisco.
- From 2017-2018, Yaman served as a judicial law clerk for the Honorable Edward M. Chen in the Northern District of California
- From 2013-2016 Yaman worked as a Staff Attorney in the National Security and Civil Rights Program at Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Asian Law Caucus, where he focused on legal issues surrounding government surveillance and freedom of speech, and an Arthur Liman Fellow at the American Civil liberties Union of Southern California.
- Yaman received his J.D. Yale Law School in 2012.



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## Julian Li-Ying Zhu

#### Associate

- ▶ Julian received his J.D. with Honors from the University of Chicago Law School, where he was involved in the school's clinical program in environmental law and a writer for the Chicago Journal of International Law (CJIL). He presented on the antitrust implications of worldwide pharmaceutical settlements at CJIL's annual symposium and was President of the school's Public Interest Law Society.
- Prior to joining Edelson, Julian was an honors attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice's Antitrust Division, where he primarily focused Section 1 investigations.
- ▶ Before law school, Julian was a policy analyst and writer for Restore Justice, a nonprofit organization that advocates for the compassionate reform of Illinois' criminal justice system for currently and formerly incarcerated Illinoisans. He was also a writer for the BioCentury and a Science Policy Fellow at the Science and Technology Policy Institute in Washington, DC.
- ▶ Julian graduated with Honors from the University of California, Berkley, where he received a B.A. in Rhetoric and Molecular & Cellular Biology. As an undergraduate, Julian was a writer and editor for the Triple Helix and the Berkeley Scientific Journals. He also volunteered at the Neighborhood Justice Clinic of the East Bay Community Law Center and conducted research for Professor David Oppenheimer on the history of diversity and race-based hiring in California.



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### Shawn Davis

Chief Information Officer

Experience testifying in federal court, briefing members of U.S. Congress on Capitol Hill.

Shawn leads a technical team in investigating claims involving privacy violations and tech-related abuse. His team's investigations have included claims arising out of the fraudulent development, marketing, and sale of computer software, unlawful tracking of consumers through digital devices, unlawful collection, storage, and dissemination of consumer data, large-scale data breaches, receipt of unsolicited communications, and other deceptive marketing practices.

- ▶ Shawn has experience testifying in federal court, briefing members of U.S. Congress on Capitol Hill, and is routinely asked to testify before legislative bodies on critical areas of cybersecurity and privacy, including those impacting the security of our country's voting system, issues surrounding children's privacy (with a special emphasis on surreptitious geotracking), and other ways data collectors and aggregators exploit and manipulate people's private lives. Shawn has taught courses on cybersecurity and forensics at the undergraduate and graduate levels and has provided training and presentations to other technology professionals as well as members of law enforcement, including the FBI.
- ▶ Shawn's investigative work has forced major companies (from national hotel chains to medical groups to magazine publishers) to fix previously unrecognized security vulnerabilities. His work has also uncovered numerous issues of companies surreptitiously tracking consumers, which has led to groundbreaking lawsuits
- ▶ Prior to joining Edelson PC, Shawn worked for Motorola Solutions in the Security and Federal Operations Centers as an Information Protection Specialist. Shawn's responsibilities included network and computer forensic analysis, malware analysis, threat mitigation, and incident handling for various commercial and government entities.
- Shawn is an Adjunct Industry Associate Professor for the School of Applied Technology at the Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT) where he has been teaching since December of 2013. Additionally, Shawn is a faculty member of the IIT Center for Cyber Security and Forensics Education which is a collaborative space between business, government, academia, and security professionals. Shawn's contributions aided in IIT's designation as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance by the National Security Agency.
- ▶ Shawn graduated with high honors from the Illinois Institute of Technology with a Masters of Information Technology Management with a specialization in Computer and Network Security. During graduate school, Shawn was inducted into Gamma Nu Eta, the National Information Technology Honor Society.